

Senate Resolution 765

By: Senators Hill of the 4th, Kemp of the 46th and Douglas of the 17th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life of Johnnie Robertson, Sr. and expressing regret at his passing; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Johnnie Robertson, Sr. was a resident of Reidsville, Georgia, for nearly 60 years
4 and a member of the Reidsville Lions Club, the VFW Post #7764 and the Tattnall County
5 Shrine Club for over 50 years; and

6 WHEREAS, he was the oldest living state trooper in the United States and the last surviving
7 charter member of the Georgia State Patrol 1937 graduating class; and

8 WHEREAS, he also was a graduate of the Federal Bureau of Investigation school in
9 Quantico, Virginia; and

10 WHEREAS, he received the Bronze Star for his service in World War II as the Commander
11 of Company A of the 56th Military Police Battalion and Provost Marshal for the 66th
12 Division of Europe (known as the Black Panthers) before retiring as a Lieutenant Colonel
13 from the United States Army; and

14 WHEREAS, known for his devotion to Christ, he was a dedicated deacon and long-time
15 member of Reidsville Baptist Church; and

16 WHEREAS, recipient of the lifetime achievement award from the Georgia Association of
17 Retired Troopers and Georgia Bureau of Investigation agents, he was the first to be so
18 honored; and

19 WHEREAS, Johnnie Robertson, Sr. was well liked and respected by generations of
20 Georgians for his honesty, consistency, and humble nature; and

1 WHEREAS, he was known as a man of his word, always doing as he said and leading with
2 deep integrity and thought.

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4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
5 honor the life of Johnnie Robertson, Sr., express regret at his passing, and extend their most
6 sincere condolences to his family.

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
8 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Johnnie Robertson, Sr.